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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the requirements and rejections contained in the Office Action dated September 12, 2005, reexamination and reconsideration are requested.

Attached hereto please find a supplemental declaration in reissue. In the Office Action, the Examiner required a supplemental reissue declaration and rejected all of claims 1-25 based upon a defective reissue declaration. However, in accordance with the Examiner's further indication, the attached declaration overcomes the rejection as it includes the language required by the Examiner.